



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Children's Administration

Subject of possible rule making:

Amending WAC 388-15-009 What is child abuse or neglect? to meet the requirements from Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5922 (Chapter 512, Laws of 2005).

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 74.13.031, 74.04.050 and chapter 26.44 RCW.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

The Department is amending the definition of child abuse or neglect. Changes are needed to meet the definition changes required in Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5922.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

Not applicable.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe)

DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.) Contact:

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